

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

DODGE CITY, SATURDAY, AUGUST 10.

POST OFFICE HOURS.

From 7 A. M. to 2 P. M. Money Orders issued from 9 A. M. to 7 P. M. Sundays excepted.
H. J. FRINGER, P. M.

For fine diamonds go to A. Gluck's.

Hon. T. B. McCullom was in the city last week.

J. L. Driskell last week sold 800 bees at an average of \$30 per head.

A friend says this is a buggy country. Yes, bed buggy, indeed.

Kansas City claims a population of 50,135 as shown by the new directory.

Buggy tops, adjusted to any kind of bug or carriage at M. Collars. Price only \$10.00.

Mr. M. R. Draper is building a handsome residence on the hill north of Military Avenue.

G. M. Hoover purchased 300 acres of land two miles west of the city this week, from Mrs. H. V. Young.

Mrs. O'Laughlin, wife of John O'Laughlin, of Lakin, died last Thursday morning. She had been weakly for some time.

That excellent newspaper the Larned Chronicle, comes to us much improved editorially and typographically.

For bargains in diamonds, watches and fine jewelry go to A. Gluck's.

A new lot of cook stoves just received and will be sold at hard time prices, at M. Collar's.

Judge W. R. Brown has been nominated a candidate for the Legislature from Reno county.

Now is your time to buy goods cheap at M. Collar's. All summer goods will be sold at cost to make room for fall stock.

During the month of July 175 tramps, 4 being females, passed over section 10 on the Santa Fe road; 88 were going east and 87 west.

Have you seen that elegant stock of diamonds, watches and fine cameo rings exhibited by A. Gluck, of St. Louis, at M. Collar's store?

During the year 1887 the imports into the United States from Mexico amounted to \$15,444,583. About two-thirds of this amount was specie.

Mr. T. A. Carr, of this city, intends to organize a Greenback Labor party in this county and follow up in the wake of Kearney and Butler.

Red Clark's ranch was robbed of about \$300 a few weeks ago. The robber drew his pistol on Ricker and made him shell out.

A cucumber measuring four and a half feet in length, raised in Ford county, is on exhibition at Dr. McCarty's drug store. Beat that if you can.

The Indicator says there is every probability that a substantial bank with ample capital will shortly be established at the Kansas City Stock Yards.

The Bible agent has sold \$400 in bibles in Dodge City. This is a pretty good sale and would bear comparison to towns of lesser note. Push on the good work.

The Catholics are erecting a church edifice in Baldwin's Precinct. Mr. Mellicker was in Dodge Monday soliciting subscriptions.

Hattie Smith and Fannie Keenan take a benefit at Ham Bell's Varieties next Wednesday night. They are general favorites and will be sure to draw a crowded house.

Henry Bradley of Spearville has been granted a license to retail the ardent. No remonstrance was presented. Judge Frost pushed the matter through the Board of County Commissioners.

Mr. Burns, publisher of the Spearville Enterprise, says there is no change in the Enterprise. Our Spearville correspondent will please walk up to the Enterprise office for information.

The Mayor of Dodge City having embarked for Ireland Col. D. D. Colley, President of the Council, is performing the important duties of the office during His Honor's absence.

There being a surfeit of pasteboard artists in the city at present, Mr. Louis Evans has accepted the position of Assistant Lubricator under Judge Carr. He is said to fill the position with distinguished ability.

A bull train race took place last week on the road south of Dodge. Russell made a trip to Fort Elliott and return in 19 days. Vance made it in 20 days. Culbertson made a trip to Supply and return, about half the distance to Elliott, in nine days. Culbertson claims the palm.

HATS—Go and see the new stock of gentlemen's hats at Connor's.

George Dieter Jr. went out to Colorado last week for the purpose of looking up a location for a barber shop.

A Union Sunday School was organized at Cimarron Sunday last. Rev. O. W. Wright holds interesting religious services there.

The Fire Company has received its caps and belts, and they are nobby, bearing the initials of the company in raised letters.

Hats! Hats!! Hats!!!

James C. Connor has just received the noblest lot of hats ever brought to town. The latest styles out. Call and see them.

Two coroners have taken up their abode in Spearville to hold inquests on dead candidates.—[Enterprise].

We learn that you have a large number of candidates. Some of them must die.

About thirty or forty of the Dodge City Firemen, and quite a number of ladies, will go up to Pueblo next Monday, to witness the Firemen's tournament and get a little mountain air. Several of the party will visit Denver and Pike's Peak before they return.

A hen convention was held this week to discuss the "ordinance relating to houses of ill-fame." Attorneys Gryden and Morphy were employed to defend the "girls" against the collection of fines for prostitution. Their voices are for war.

The Spearville Enterprise says "the total value of taxable property in Ford County is \$5,922,292." This is a mistake of a few millions, but the statement confirms the position generally taken by the Enterprise. The figures should read \$592,239.

An effort will be made this winter to organize Hodgeman county. We are informed that the county contains 1500 inhabitants. There is no unanimity on the question of organization. It is probably well not to hasten this matter in view of the enormous expense attending a newly settled county. The movement may be pushed in order to hasten the location of a county seat—a matter the governing principle in all new county formations.

Mr. J. Cain, who has a claim near the center of Hodgeman County presented us this week with a specimen of magnesia limestone, sawed out with an ordinary hand-saw and polished with sand-paper. It is a very superior quality of stone and can be sawed much easier than wood, having no flint whatever in its composition. Heat will not cause it to crumble, neither will moisture soften it after it has once been hardened. Mr. Cain informs us that there is an unlimited quantity of this stone on his land and in that vicinity.

Judge Sutton has taken a "claim" and intends engaging in the honest labors of tilling the soil. Owing to his adipose ponderosity and abdominal rotundity he will defer active pursuits on the virgin soil until after the August sun has silently crept behind the western horizon. When the fall of the year brings its tinge of sere and yellow, like the hardy husbandman of immense acres, Mike will stealthily go forth, bearing the plow handles in their silent moorings—when grub time comes. Mike is no novice in agricultural operations. He knows the best way to raise gourds is on a sour apple tree, and that elders should be pruned in September.

The Kansas City Commercial Indicator says: We learn from a very good source that it is the intention of some of the Colorado stock men who can afford it, to hold their cattle over for another year and not ship them to market unless they can get better prices than those now prevailing. We never like to interfere with other people's business affairs, but it does seem to us as if this course would be an unwise one. Producers must remember that everything now is down to a hard-pan basis and it will take an abnormal condition of affairs to advance prices over what they are now. The law of supply and demand is an inexorable one.

CAMP SUPPLY ITEMS.

Last Saturday morning a rain and hail struck us. Lieut. George H. Cook, Regimental Adjutant 19th Inf. came up from Ft. Sill and spent a few days at this post.

Dr. Wilcox expects to make an Eastern tour and return with his wife. Sergeant Wm. W. Winters left for Louisiana and intends entering lands and making a final stay.

Mr. McKenney, Postmaster, is expected to return from Fort Smith this week. Charley Reynolds, who has been East since spring, returned a few weeks ago.

P. G. Reynolds, proprietor of the Stage line paid us a visit last week. Mr. Reynolds has everything ready for the increased mail service.

W. M. D. Lee and lady have gone to Fort Elliott to reside temporarily.

A. E. Reynolds arrived a few days ago, and is busy with his government contracts. Sgt. McNamara is a happy man. It is a girl and weighs 9 1/2 pounds.

It is astonishing the amount of freight that is passing this post for the Pan Handle. Heavily laden trains pass daily.

Our melons are ripe and the boys are casting longing eyes towards the patch.

Capt. J. G. Leafe, A. Q. M. at Fort Dodge is expected here soon to take charge of the Quartermaster's Department at this post.

LESS ANON.

THE BED BUG.

This is the season of the year when the festive bed bug sports in triumphant glee, covering his native heath with all manner of didos. The frail character of many of the structures in this benighted region are bed bug breeders. The houses are mostly "celled," and through the apertures the blue and the gray bed bug sport in majestic fury. They descend from the ceilings and walls in the style of a Sam Patch descent from Niagara. They just drop. The other night an army of bed-bugs besieged us; they were fortified all round us—to the right, to the left, rode 600 of them, charging down upon us in our peaceful slumbers like the gallant 600 in the charge of Balakava. They rode on under the magic influence of the warm evening, awakening us from our dreamy paradise and making Rome howl with their grand and ferocious foray for blood. We awoke literally covered with these midnight marauders, and charging like the knight with his gleaming lance, we slayed bed bugs to the right of us, to the left of us, and all around us. The bed, the floor, and the room was speckled with the gore of the big bug, the little bug and the bed bug. The carnage was kept up one hour, after which, like a gallant hero of the battle field, we retired to slumber on the field, all fresh with glory and blood and strewn with the bodies of 1796 bed bugs. Not a drum was heard, Nor a funeral note As we to our slumbers hurried.

J. Geo. Dieter is again monarch of the barber business. Within the last few weeks he has purchased both opposition shops. Bert Case went to his old home in Butler county to remain five or six months. Moll and Seal went to Kansas City.

A VALUABLE FIND.

If reports are correct, and there seems no reason to doubt it, a most valuable and timely development has been made at Rosedale, just inside the eastern border of the State and four miles from Kansas City. It is nothing less than two considerable veins of coal—one of them three feet in thickness and 250 below the surface, and the other five feet in thickness and 330 feet below.

If this should prove a fact, the question not only of cheap fuel, but of manufacturing facilities to this country, is settled for all time. The Leavenworth coal bed is less than three feet in thickness and 700 feet down, and has been a mine of wealth to that city. The Rosedale beds aggregate eight feet, and at less than half the depth of the Leavenworth mine—the supply vastly increased and the cost of raising greatly diminished. With cheap coal, and lead and iron ores in abundance, and in striking distance—complemented by the splendid water power at Lawrence, there is no reason why Eastern Kansas and Western Missouri should not rival New England and Pennsylvania in all the products of manufacturing industry, especially as we have what they can never have, agricultural facilities abundant for the maintenance of a dense manufacturing population.—Lawrence Standard.

WHAT A STRANGER THINKS OF THIS PORTION OF CENTRAL KANSAS.

The following is an extract from a private letter written to the East: "This is the finest country I ever saw, and the finest climate I ever experienced. To-day or to-morrow I am going to take up some land under the homestead law. Sell out and come here right away. Here are good schools; here is good health, and an excellent opportunity to get a competency in wheat raising and stock growing. You can find as good land here as the sun ever shone upon, and it costs nothing but the office fee. If the people East and North knew there was such a country, they would flock here by thousands—but they don't know it, and only find it out by stumbling on it as I did. This is the place for me, and right here I stay. I am not going to Denver at all. I may go back on the river next summer to make a few hundred dollars at my profession, but never to stay. I cannot tell you one half the beauties and advantages of this part of Kansas. It is way beyond my imagination or conception. You will have no doctor bills to pay if you come out here. Is not that enough to impel you to get right up and come right out here?"

CUT THIS OUT

And send it to your friends in the East advising them, when they visit Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, or the San Juan mines, to take the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad, the new southern route through Kansas via the Arkansas Valley, to Pueblo, making direct connection with the Denver & Rio Grande Railway for Colorado Springs, Denver, and all points in Northern Colorado, Canon City, Garland, Del Norte, Lake City, El Moro, Las Vegas and Santa Fe. Trains leave Kansas City and Atchison every day in the year, with Pullman Sleeping Cars attached, and passenger trains equipped with all the modern improvements. For maps, circulars and detailed information ask them to send to W. F. WHITE, General Passenger Agent, Topeka, Kan.

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

A delegate convention will be held at the Court House next Monday for the purpose of selecting delegates to the State and Congressional Conventions. The primary meetings are being held to-day, the apportionment being as follows: Baldwin Precinct 3 delegates; Spearville 4; 2d district 5, and the 3d commissioner district 5 delegates.

PEAT IN MEADE COUNTY.

An excellent article of peat has been discovered in Meade county. There are thousands of acres of it in beds two and four feet in thickness. Exposed to the air a few days a sample of this peat burned readily. This is a valuable discovery. Peat is an excellent fuel and has been found in Meade in sufficient quantities to supply millions. Under the peat beds is a fine potter's clay 18 inches in thickness, under that another line of clay still finer. Dr. J. J. Thompson and S. M. Cook, two of the pioneers of Meade county, were in Dodge this week and report flattering prospects.

PERSONAL.

The D. C. D. A. is slightly disorganized, but another rally is hoped for.

J. M. Fulkerson and family and two lady friends made the Times a pleasant visit Monday.

N. C. Jones, of Spearville, was in Dodge, Monday and called.

Murray Wear, the indefatigable, was in the city Monday. He was appointed constable for Spearville township.

Sam Nott Hyde and two others have resigned their positions as freight agents. Hope they will find more congenial employment.

Commissioner Sidlow missed the morning train and arrived too late to attend the meeting of Board of Commissioners Monday last.

Ed. Artt came up from Bluff Creek yesterday. He is now sole proprietor of the Bluff Creek Ranch.

Dr. W. S. Tremaine, who has been east for several months, returned this week accompanied by his son William, who has been absent attending school.

Mr. E. S. Conwell has accepted the position of salesman in Haddor & Draper's lower store.

R. J. Hardesty visited Kansas City last week. He believes the Martin bank will pay all its liabilities.

Hon. R. M. Wright took the train last Wednesday morning for Colorado, to be absent three or four days.

Mrs. E. S. Conwell and Miss Nina Dickinson arrived home from Topeka yesterday morning, after an absence of several months. Their many friends here were pleased to see them.

We received a pleasant call yesterday from Mr. Phillip Ott, of Geneseo, Ill., accompanied by the two Anderson Bros, who are out looking at the country. Mr. Ott is visiting his son, S. S. Ott, of Olathe. The old gentleman is a mass of means and possesses a heap of good sense. Mr. J. H. Phillips, railroad agent at this place, goes to Holy-in-the-Rock, Colorado, in a few days to take charge of the business of the company at that point. Mr. Phillips is considered by the officers of the company to be one of the best agents on the road, and the position he is about to take is one of great importance. Our business men and citizens who have known Mr. Phillips so long, will be sorry to see him go. We understand that Mrs. Phillips will go east soon to spend several months visiting relatives and friends.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS.

A special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners met pursuant to law for the purpose of making levy for county taxes, at the County Clerk's office, Dodge City, Kansas, on Aug. 8th. Present, Geo. B. Cog, Chairman, A. J. Peacock, Commissioners; J. B. Means, County Clerk. Absent, J. W. Sidlow. The minutes of last meeting read and approved. A petition from the citizens of Spearville was presented by Henry Bradley and others, for a license to keep a dram shop, and on motion license was granted and necessary bonds accepted. The following is the levy:

State tax.....	8 1/2 mills
County tax.....	10 "
Current Expense Bonds tax	3 1/2 "
Court House Bonds tax	1 1/2 "
Funding Bonds tax.....	1 1/2 "
Poor tax.....	6 1/2 "

Total..... 19 5 1/2 mills. On motion, Murray Wear was appointed constable for Spearville township. The County Attorney was instructed to institute proceedings to compel H. Garis and W. T. Hughes to pay county license. On motion the sheriff was instructed to procure a brand as follows: F. Co., and brand all the county furniture. On motion the Board adjourned sine die.

J. B. MEANS, County Clerk.

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